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# **Transportation Committee**

Annotated Agenda Friday, September 16, 2016--9:30 a.m.

Cook County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, Illinois

1.0 Call to Order/Introductions

9:30 a.m.

- 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements
- 3.0 Approval of Minutes July 22, 2016 ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

# 4.0 Coordinating Committee Structure (Bob Dean)

Staff recommends a change in the coordinating committee purpose and structure: a Planning Coordinating Committee, which would oversee ON TO 2050, and a Programming Coordinating Committee, which would oversee programming decisions for transportation investment, LTA project selection, and other relevant matters. A similar structure was used during the development of GO TO 2040. ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

# 5.0 FFY 14-19 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- 5.1 TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications (Leroy Kos) The TIP amendments were published to the eTIP web site on September 9, 2016 for committee review and public comment. A memo summarizing the changes is attached.

  ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of formal TIP amendment 16-05
- 5.2 Semi-Annual GO TO 2040/TIP Conformity Analysis and TIP Amendment (Leroy Kos)

The semi-annual GO TO 2040/TIP conformity analysis and TIP amendment has been subject to a 30-day public comment period which ended August 22, 2016. No comments on the analysis or amendment were received.

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommend approval of the semiannual GO TO 2040/TIP conformity analysis and TIP amendment to the Regional Coordinating Committee and the MPO Policy committee.

## 6.0 Unified Work Program (Angela Manning-Hardimon)

With the recent approval of a state budget, CMAP will receive its local State match funding which will allow UWP funds previously allocated to CMAP to be appropriated for other projects. As discussed when the FY2017 UWP budget was approved, should the state dollars become available to CMAP, awarding UWP dollars for competitive projects would be revisited. Since this has occurred, it is proposed that approximately \$1.4 million dollars be approved for the following projects based on the ranking/scoring/approval.

- CTA/Pace South Halsted Corridor project \$640,000
- CMAP/RTA Community Planning \$400,000
- Lake County Transit Study \$200,000
- CDOT Multi-Modal Crash Analysis -\$197,000

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommend approval to the Regional Coordinating Committee and the MPO Policy committee contingent on UWP committee approval.

# 7.0 RTA Regional Capital Funding for 2017-2021 Capital Program and Development Process (Donna Anderson)

RTA staff will present the overall development process for the 2017-2021 Capital Program. The presentation will focus on the RTA's 2017 Business Plan Calendar, which lays out the steps in the process from setting the funding levels to development and approval of the transit capital program, including opportunities for public participation. ACTION REQUESTED: Information

#### 8.0 Proposed Section 5310 Program of Continuation Projects (Joe Voccia)

The RTA released a Call for Projects for continuation funding to existing grantees in June 2016. The submitted applications, solicited from the pool of previously funded projects, were reviewed for program eligibility by the RTA in conjunction with a project selection team composed of staff from IDOT, CMAP, and RTA. As a result of the review, all ten submitted projects are recommended for approval and inclusion in the Section 5310 Program of Continuation Projects. These projects will receive \$4.2 million in available federal funding of the \$6 million FY15 NE Illinois appropriation. This program will be considered for approval at the October 20th RTA Board meeting after the close of the public comment period on October 14, 2016. ACTION REQUESTED: Information

#### 9.0 ON TO 2050

- 9.1 Financial Plan Process (Lindsay Hollander)
  As required by statute, ON TO 2050 must include a financial plan, including expected revenue sources to carry out the operation, maintenance, and expansion of the region's surface transportation system over the planning period (2019-50). Staff will provide an overview of the financial plan process and discuss engagement with transportation implementers and other stakeholders.
- 9.2 Transportation Revenue Trends (Lindsay Hollander)
  As an early step in financial plan development, staff has compared historical revenue trends to the GO TO 2040 forecast, as updated in 2014. Initial analysis of data from the past few years indicates that core revenue growth has been lower than assumed in the GO TO 2040 forecast for several revenue sources.
- 9.3 Regional Forecast Final Totals (Louis Berger Consultants)
  As part of ON TO 2050, CMAP is preparing a new socioeconomic forecast consisting of two major components: a regional forecast of total population and employment and a small-area forecast which disaggregates the regional totals to a local level. The consultants preparing the regional forecast will present their initial totals, the sensitivity of the forecasts to factors such as investments in transportation and education, and the methods they used. Later this fall, staff will present further information on the local area forecast allocation process and solicit feedback from the committee on local factors that shape employer and household location decisions.
- 9.4 Revised Emerging Priorities Report (Liz Schuh)

  CMAP has been gathering public feedback on regional challenges and opportunities as well as priority topics that should be addressed by the ON TO 2050 plan. To summarize that feedback and give insight on preliminary plan directions, CMAP staff created a report on emerging priorities and solicited public comment over the summer months. The document is now undergoing final working committee review prior to Board and MPO Policy Committee approval in October. Staff will summarize the Emerging Priorities for ON TO 2050 draft report and the public comments received.
- 9.5 Critical Urban Freight Corridors (Tom Murtha) The FAST Act creates a National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) to focus freight investments. Large MPOs like CMAP, in consultation with state DOTs, are charged with designating

- "critical urban freight corridors" as part of the NHFN. Staff will provide an update on the status of the corridors proposed for such designation in northeast Illinois.
- 9.6 Regional Greenways and Trails Plan Update (Brian Daly)
  Over the past year, CMAP has been working on an update to the Regional Greenways and Trails Plan adopted in 2009, which lays out a planned network of mostly off-street multiuse trails in the region. Numerous meetings have been held with local partners to incorporate their priorities into the updated trails plan map. Staff is presenting the draft trails plan map for consideration by the committee and will seek approval of the map later this fall.
- 9.7 Regionally Significant Projects (Doug Ferguson)
  An overview of regionally significant projects submitted by implementing agencies for consideration in ON TO 2050 will be presented. Following discussion by the committee, a 45-day public comment period will commence to solicit additional ideas from the public as well as from implementing agencies for projects outside their jurisdiction. The last day to submit project ideas will be October 31, 2016.
- 9.8 Evaluation Approach for Regionally Significant Projects in ON TO 2050 Forum Follow-up (Jesse Elam)
  A planning information forum was held before the July 22 Transportation Committee meeting to discuss the evaluation approach for highway projects in ON TO 2050. Staff will summarize the discussion and resulting recommendations.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and/or Discussion

#### 10.0 Legislative Updates (Tom Kotarac)

10.1 USDOT MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform Rule In August, the comment period closed for the USDOT MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform Rule which would require unified planning products for each urbanized area (UZA), even if there are multiple MPOs designated within that urbanized area. Specifically it would result in MPOs developing a single metropolitan transportation plan, a single transportation improvement program (TIP), and a jointly established set of performance targets for the entire urbanized area and contiguous area expected to become urbanized within a 20-year forecast period for the transportation plan. Staff will summarize CMAP's comments and those of other stakeholders.

#### 10.2 Constitutional Lockbox Amendment

An overview of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment (HJRCA) 36 will be discussed. This would amend the Illinois Constitution to restrict the use of transportation-related revenues for transportation purposes only, preventing transfers, offsets, or other diversions of transportation revenues to other purposes.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and/or Discussion

# 11.0 Status of the Local Technical Assistance Program

The current status report on the LTA program is included in the meeting materials.

**ACTION REQUESTED: Information** 

# 12.0 ON TO 2050 Bi-Monthly Report

The current status report on the progress of ON TO 2050 analyses is included in the meeting materials.

**ACTION REQUESTED: Information** 

#### 13.0 Other Business

#### 14.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion. It should be noted that the time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

## 15.0 Next meeting

The Transportation Committee is scheduled to meet next on October 21.

#### 16.0 Adjournment

#### **Committee Members**

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